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(54) Methods and apparatus for learning remote control commands

(57) A first controlled device, such as a television receiver or set top box (102) receives a signal from a remote control (108) associated with a second controlled device, such as a television or display (104). The signal is associated with a command for the second controlled device (104). The first controlled device (102) receives user input, assigning the command to a selected button of a

second remote control (108). The first controlled device transmits a message to the second remote control. The message includes information utilized by the second remote control to reproduce the signal responsive to actuation of the selected button, allowing the second remote control (108) to generate the command for the second controlled device (104).

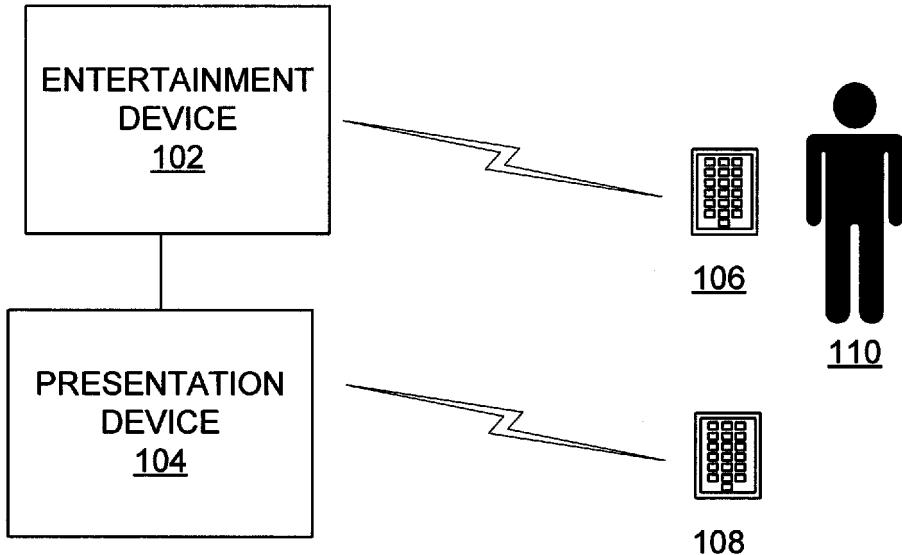


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